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AMENDMENT-CLAIMS

Dear Sir:

In response to the September 3, 2003 Official Action in the above-identified matter, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1-6 (Canceled)
- 7. (Amended) A method for producing a construct by seamlessly joining solid objects made up of certain sized particles, the method comprising:
 - a) supplying a joint compound having particle sizes smaller than the certain sized particles;